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**Indiana Heritage and Culture Council  
Minutes  
April 5, 2002**

The Indiana Heritage and Culture Council convened at 10:07 a.m. (EST) in Rooms 1 and 2 of the Indiana Government Center, Conference Center, 402 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Council members present were: Acting Chair Beth Compton (Governor's Office), Pam Bennett (Indiana Historical Bureau), Chuck Coffey (Indiana Department of Administration), Wendy Dent Chesser (Indiana Rural Development Council), Carmen DeRusha (Hispanic Community), Ray Ewick (State Library), Rita Kohn (Citizen Member), Jeff Myers (Indiana State Museum and Historic Sites), Nancy Nakano Conner (Asian Community), John Newman (Indiana Commission on Public Records), Elizabeth Osborn (Citizen Member), Jane Rulon (Department of Commerce - Tourism and Film Development), Representative Tom Saunders (Indiana House of Representatives), Jon Smith (DNR-DHPA), Jennifer Swenson (2016 Project), Reid Williamson (Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana), and Senator Richard Young (Indiana Senate)

Council members absent were: Sal Cilella (Indiana Historical Society), Ray Gonyea (Citizen Member), Representative Markt Lytle (Indiana House of Representatives), Scott Massey (Indiana Humanities Council), Senator James Merritt (Indiana Senate), Paul Strack (Native American Community), Bill Sweeney (Indiana War Memorials Commission, Mayor Richard Ullrich (Citizen Member), and Carter Wolf (Citizen Member)

Other attendees were: Shelia Griffin (DNR-DHPA), Dorothy Ilgen (Indiana Arts Commission), Mark McCoughnay (Indiana Main Street), Jeannie Regan-Dinius (DNR-DHPA), Suzanne Stanis (Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana).

The Indiana Heritage and Culture Council was called to order by Beth Compton of Governor O'Bannon's office. Ms. Compton announced that the Chair and Vice-Chair were unable to attend and she would chair the meeting.

**I. Welcome/Introductions**

Ms. Compton welcomed those in attendance and asked members to introduce themselves.

**II. Approval of Minutes of February 8, 2002 Meeting – previously distributed**

Ms. Compton called for additions or corrections to the minutes from the February 8, 2002 meeting. John Newman made a correction to Page 1, Paragraph 2, noting that he represents the Indiana Supreme Court. Senator Richard Young made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Representative Tom Saunders seconded the motion and it carried.

### **III. State Agency Profile and Services, December 31, 2001 – notebook previously distributed**

#### **A. Comments/Questions**

No comments or questions were presented.

#### **B. Other state agencies to be added**

Jon Smith noted that this agenda item was a follow up to the state agency surveys that have been completed. Mr. Smith reported that several agencies and/or divisions were overlooked in the initial survey. Mr. Smith noted that these agencies and or divisions have been sent a survey and will be included in the agency profile and services. These agencies include: Division of State Parks, Division of Forestry, Division of Nature Preserves, Indiana Rural Development Council, and the Indiana Commission on Public Records (State Archives).

### **IV. Governance Procedures – previously distributed**

#### **A. Comments/Questions**

Ms. Compton noted that the procedures were amended at the last meeting to reflect the Vice Chair duties. Ms. Compton noted that the procedures were previously approved therefore there was no need to approve the revised section of the procedures. Jeannie Regan-Dinius noted that she would distribute the approved procedures, as amended, to each member.

### **V. Committee Reports**

#### **A. Collaborative Plan Committee – Scott Massey**

Nancy Nakano Conner presented the committee report on behalf of Scott Massey who was not able to attend the meeting. Ms. Connor reported that Mr. Massey had set sub-committee meeting dates from April 18, 2002 through August 29, 2002. Ms. Connor also reported that Mr. Massey had recruited an intern from the Center on Philanthropy at IUPUI to assist the committee with research. Ms. Conner finalized the report noting that Mr. Massey had identified a program through the Oregon Heritage Commission to use as a model for the State's Collaborative Plan.

#### **B. Technology Committee – Ray Ewick**

Ray Ewick reported that the sub-committee had not met and did not have a report. Mr. Ewick noted that he met with Access Indiana to discuss the establishment of a website for the Council's activities. Mr. Ewick noted that he would contact members via e-mail in the future with instructions on how to utilize the site.

### **C. Private/Nonprofit Survey Committee – Jon Smith**

Jon Smith reported that the sub-committee had met three times. Mr. Smith noted that the sub-committee felt that some of the information requested on the state survey would not apply to the non-profit organizations. Jeannie Regan-Dinius distributed a draft copy of the proposed survey for the non-profit organizations. Mr. Smith requested that changes, additions, or corrections be submitted to Ms. Regan-Dinius no later than April 15, 2002 to allow adequate time to make changes to the survey. Mr. Smith reported that the survey would be distributed to the non-profit organizations in early May 2002. Mr. Smith noted that the survey would be distributed prior to the next meeting of the Council in June and expressed concern with the procedure for getting final approval of the survey. Beth Compton suggested delegating authority to Mr. Smith to approve the final version of the survey form to avoid any delay in distribution. Ray Ewick made a motion to delegate authority to Jon Smith and the sub-committee to give final approval of the survey and to distribute the form. John Newman seconded the motion and it carried. Jeannie Regan-Dinius clarified that the local organizations listed in the tier listing would not be surveyed, but would be listed for informational purposes.

### **D. Archives Task Force – Senator James Merritt**

Senator Merritt was unable to attend. No report was given. Chuck Coffey gave a brief history of the location of the archives. Mr. Coffey noted that he be contacted with any suggestions for the future location of the archives.

Mr. Newman his report on the efforts of his and Alan January's efforts in gathering ifnoamriton form other state archies was obmitted. It was also omitted under the same section the fact that mr. January had also given Mr. Newman the storage capacity fo the current Indiana State Archieves. Mr. Sweeney made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Ms. Bennett seconded the motion and it carried.

Jeff Myers requested a list of committee's and its members. Jon Smith stated that an updated list would be sent to the members. Beth Compton noted that there had been new members appointed to the Council and members who were not appointed to sub-committees and asked if there were members who wished to serve on a sub-committee. Elizabeth Osborn and Rita Kohn volunteered to serve on the Archives Task Force sub-committee. Dorothy Ilgen volunteered to serve on the Collaborative Plan Committee. Jeannie Regan-Dinius requested that additional sub-committee names should be directed to her.

## **VI. Other Issues**

Pam Bennett noted that at the February meeting, the Council discussed group presentation's to have a better understanding of the roles of the various groups. Ms. Bennett requested that this topic be added to the agenda for the next meeting. Jane Rulon felt that the various groups should provide an overview of current issues.

Elizabeth Osborn referred back to agenda item III. and suggested that a complete list of all organizations looked at but not surveyed should be provided in the plan. Jon Smith reiterated that suggestions be submitted no later than April 15, 2002. Rita Kohn requested clarification on the survey and the process of distribution. Beth Compton noted that Jon Smith would approve the final version of the nonprofit survey and would be distributed by staff in early May. Pam Bennett suggested that those agencies that have completed a survey provide updates due to any changes that may or may not have occurred since December 31, 2001. Jon Smith stated that an e-mail could be sent to those agencies requesting a survey update.

Beth Compton announced that Joyce Martin would be leaving Indiana in May. Ms. Compton noted that a new Chief Counsel would be starting June 1, 2002. Ms. Compton noted that the Governor's office may appoint her as the new Chair for the Council.

Jeff Myers reported that the new Indiana State Museum would be opening in May 2002. Mr. Myers reported that the ribbon cutting ceremony would be held the morning of May 22, 2002. Mr. Myers noted that the museum would host a future council meeting at the new facility. Mr. Myers also stated that a fund raising reception would be held at the new facility to unveil the Robert Indiana sculpture. Beth Compton requested that an e-mail be sent to members to update them on the opening of the new museum facility.

Rita Kohn announced the Role Models of the Holocaust conference on Sunday, April 7, 2002. Pam Bennett announced Indiana History Day that would be held on April 27, 2002 at 9:00 a.m. (EST) in the Indiana Government Center Conference Center and Training Center. Ms. Bennett noted that openings were still available for judges.

## **VII. Public Comment**

No public comments were made.

## **VIII. Next Meeting: June 7, 2002, 10:00 AM, Conference Center Room C**

Jane Rulon made a motion to adjourn. John Newman seconded the motion and it carried. The Indiana Heritage and Culture Council meeting adjourned at 11:12 a.m. (EST).